GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
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BIFURCATION OF EASTERN RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in a period of two months upon division of Eastern Railway, its net income came down by 36.7%;

(b) whether the income on account of passenger fare declines by 27.3% and freight by 77.7% ;

(c) whether the main source of income for the Railway comes out of freight charges;

(d) whether the most important departments like safety and repair are out of hand of Eastern Railway; and

(e) if so, the time by which these infrastructures are expected to be provided?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) & (b): Net results of the Zonal Railways indicating the excess/shortfall are worked out at the end of the financial year. However, passenger and goods earnings on originating basis of Eastern Railway with revised jurisdiction comprising of Howrah, Sealdah, Malda and Asansol Divisions for the period from October 2002 to November 2002 show an improvement as compared to the corresponding months of the year 2001 for the same jurisdiction

(c): Yes, Sir.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.